

<u>DECLARATION</u> <u>AND</u> POWER OF ATTORNEY

As the below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled **DIAGNOSIS**, **PROGNOSIS** AND **TREATMENT OF PULMONARY DISEASES**, the specification of which

(check one)		is attached hereto.
	×	was filed on <u>February 5, 2004</u> as Application Serial No.
		10/772,716 and was not amended.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56(a).

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, §119(a)-(d) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or of any PCT international applications designating at least one country other than the United States of America listed below and have also identified below any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or any PCT international applications(s) designating at least one country other than the United States of America filed by us on the same subject matter having a filing date before that of the application(s) of which priority if claimed.

PRIOR FORE	R FOREIGN APPLICATION(S) UNDER 35 U.S.C. 119(a)-(d)				
	Country	Filing Date	Priority Claimed		
Number			Yes	No	

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, § 119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below:

CLAIM FOR BENEFIT OF PRIOR U.S. PROVISIONAL APPLICATION(S) UNDER 35 U.S.C. 119(e)					
Provisional Application Number	Filing Date				
60/519,453	November 12, 2003				

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Codes, §120, of any United States application(s) or PCT international application(s) designating the United States of America that is/are listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in that/those prior application(s) in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, §112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56 that occurred between the filing date of the prior application(s) and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

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I hereby appoint Stephen R. Albainy-Jenei, Registration No. 41,487; Edwin R. Acheson, Jr., Registration No. 31,808; David E. Franklin, Registration No. 39,194; William E. Gallagher, Registration No. 35,145; Steven J. Goldstein, Registration No. 28,079; James M. Kipling, Registration No. 26,287; Ann G. Robinson, Registration No. 39,820; Ria Farrell Schalnat, Registration No. 47,058; David E. Schmit, Registration No. 28,472; Karlyn A. Schnapp, Registration No. 45,558; Ralph J. Skinkiss, Registration No. 26,105; and Kevin S. Sprecher, Registration No. 42,165; c/o Frost Brown Todd LLC, 2200 PNC Center, 201 East Fifth Street, Cincinnati, Ohio 45202 (513) 651-6800 my attorneys, with full power in each of them, of substitution and revocation, to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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